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CHARGES AGAINST CHINESE OFFICIALS

Complaints Made to Peking Regarding Minister Wu and Consul General Ho Yow.

(Associated Press.)

San Francisco, March 20.—Grave charges against Chinese Consul-General, Ho Yow, designed also to incite Minister Wu Ting Fang, all under the seal of the Six Companies, are on file in the foreign office in Peking, says the Chronicle this morning. When interviewed in regard to the matter Ho Yow said: "Yes, the minister has been informed by the foreign office that charges are on file and has telegraphed me to investigate and learn their sources. There are a number of charges, the greatest stress being laid on the allegation that I am not conducting the fight against exclusion as aggressively as the complainants think I should. Another charge is that I am neglecting my official duties and not protecting the interests of my countrymen. We are informed by the foreign office that the charges bear the imprint of the Six Companies. I informed the companies and they at once entered a disclaimer and that disclaimer will be forwarded to the minister and by him to the foreign office. I am informed that the signatures and imprint of the companies are foreign. It is quite possible that the charges emanated from disgruntled Highlanders, incensed at the effort to stop their practices."

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WHY JOHN DILLON WAS SUSPENDED

HEATED DEBATE IN IMPERIAL COMMONS

Called the Colonial Secretary "A D—d Liar" and Refused to Withdraw the Expression.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 20.—One of the liveliest scenes witnessed in the House of Commons since the palmist days of the Irish Nationalists, ended this afternoon with the suspension of John Dillon.

During the discussion of South African affairs, the Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, vigorously protested against the government's conduct in uttering "malignant slanders" in calling the Liberals "pro-Boers."

The colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, in the course of an equally incisive reply, said he desired deliberately to accuse Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman of being no opportunity for slandering his countrymen, the soldiers and the government. Consequently the "malignant slanders" had come from the opposition side.

The speaker, Sir William Court, Gully, here intervened and declared that the term "malignant slanders" was unparliamentary.

Both Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and Mr. Chamberlain thereupon withdrew the words amid cheers.

Mr. Chamberlain, proceeding, referred to the Boers who are fighting on the British side, when John Dillon, Irish Nationalist, interjected: "They are traitors," on which Mr. Chamberlain retorted: "The honorable gentleman is a good judge of traitors."

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NEW JUSTICE

Hon. J. T. Garrow Appointed Successor to the Late Justice Lester.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 20.—Senator Watson was elected chairman of the contingent committee of the Senate today.

An order-in-council has been passed appointing Hon. J. T. Garrow, member of the Ontario government without portfolio, Justice of the Court of Appeal in place of the late Justice Lester.

Mr. Blain, Peel, resumed the debate on the budget today in the House.

LAKE STEAMERS

Firemen Will Receive Forty-five Dollars a Month During Season.

(Associated Press.)

Cleveland, Ohio, March 20.—The marine firemen and the vessel owners came to an agreement on the wage scale for the season at a convention held yesterday. The firemen will receive \$45 per month. No contract was signed, but it is understood that the scale will remain throughout the season of navigation.

THE ALICE ROOSEVELT

German Guardship to Be Named After President's Daughter.

(Associated Press.)

Wilhelmshaven, Prussia, March 20.—Emperor William has directed that a former torpedo boat, now used as a guardship here, shall be re-named "Alice Roosevelt."

ETRURIA'S PASSENGERS

(Associated Press.)

Southampton, March 20.—The Royal mail steamship Etruria arrived here today from the Azores Islands, having on board the passengers of the disabled Cunard line steamer Etruria.

In a dispatch from Cannes, the correspondent of the London Daily Mail says he thinks the French government is greatly relieved that King Edward's visit to France has been cancelled, as the agents in France were busy organizing demonstrations against "His Majesty."

NOTICE.

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Have Disposed of their business, and all book accounts due them must be paid before April 1st next, at 32 Broad street.

GATHERING KNIGHTS.

Large Numbers Arriving at Chicago to Attend Jubilee.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, March 20.—Nearly every incoming train brought members of the Knights of Pythias to Chicago today to the grand jubilee, which will begin tonight. The hosts are the lodges of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, and arrangements have been made to entertain 20,000 guests. The jubilee begins at the Coliseum at 7 p.m. The main features of the programme will be the exemplification of the ritual by teams proficient in the ceremonies. The only function during the day was a reception at the Great Northern hotel, tendered the officers of the Supreme and Grand lodges.

CONDITION IMPROVED.

Cecil Rhodes is Reported to Be Much Better To-Day.

(Associated Press.)

Capetown, March 20.—Cecil Rhodes passed a better night. He slept more than for some time past, consequently there is a distinct improvement in his condition to-day.

Rhodes had a good sleep this afternoon. His physicians have promised that, if possible, he will sail for England next week. Dr. Jameson does not consider this to be impossible.

VICTIM OF SHOOTING AFFRAY IS DEAD

WAS SHOT IN HOTEL AT CALGARY, SUNDAY

Storms in Nova Scotia Interrupt Railway Traffic—The Wireless Telegraphy Station.

(Associated Press.)

Calgary, N. W. T., March 20.—Arthur Simpson, the victim of the shooting outrage of Sunday last, died about 12:40 to-day. It is considered phenomenal that he lived so long. All yesterday his temperature increased and this morning the hopes were held out for his recovery. Simpson was a tent maker by trade, and an Englishman.

Increasing Capital.

Halifax, N. S., March 20.—The Halifax Electric Tram Co. has a bill before the legislature, increasing its capital by \$500,000 to \$1,500,000.

Wireless Telegraphy.

R. Vyvian, who is to have charge of construction work at Cape Breton, arrived here last night. Marconi is to arrive in Cape Breton to-night.

Storms in Nova Scotia.

Bridgewater, N. S., March 20.—No trains are being moved out of here today because of freshets. Nine inches of rain have fallen since Monday night in this district.

Hon. G. H. Murray.

Yarmouth, N. S., March 20.—Hon. G. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia, arrived from Boston yesterday and left for Halifax this morning. His health is much improved.

Coming West.

Kingston, March 20.—Rev. D. G. McPhail, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Pictou, has resigned and leaves early in May for the Northwest.

Reciprocal Switching.

London, March 20.—Agitation for reciprocal switching between the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. has been revived here.

Singular Action.

Toronto, March 20.—Miss Beemer, of Brantford, took a train from Brantford to Niagara Falls on Sunday, March 17, on the T. & N. and M. C. R. for the bedside of her brother, who was seriously ill. She understood the conductor to say she had to change at Welland, and by doing so did not reach the bedside till after her brother's death. She sued for \$3,000 damages for mental anguish before Judge Street, who gave judgment yesterday in favor of the defendants, with costs.

Board of Trade.

Fifty-two merchants yesterday joined the board of trade, bringing the membership up to nine hundred.

A Transfer.

The Mail and Empire learns that a deal was consummated last week whereby the Orford Copper Company, of New Jersey, has taken charge of the Canadian Copper Company's business at Sudbury.

Preparing for Work.

There is considerable activity along the water front preparing steamers and schooners for the season, and vesselmen state that if the St. Lawrence canals were open steamers would be clearing for Montreal.

HANGMAN MORBID.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 20.—Hangman Radcliffe was morbid and badly beaten in Hull today. He said that Lacroix was not going to be the last Frenchman he was going to hang. Radcliffe was taken over to Ottawa in the police patrol to save him from the crowd. His head was badly cut, and had to be stitched.

THE REDISTRIBUTION BILL BROUGHT DOWN

PROPOSED INCREASE TO FORTY-TWO MEMBERS

The Province is Divided Up Into Thirty-four Electoral Districts.

The Redistribution Bill was brought down today. It provides for the following electoral districts and number of members mentioned:

Victoria City	4
Saanich	1
Esquimalt	1
Cowichan	1
The Islands	1
Newcastle	1
Nanaimo City	1
Alberni	1
Delta	1
Chilliwack	1
Beverly	1
Richmond	1
New Westminster	1
Vancouver City	5
Atlin	1
Skeena	1
Cariboo	2
Lillooet	1
Yale	1
Kamloops	1
Okanagan	1
Similkameen	1
Greenwood	1
Grand Forks	1
Revelstoke	1
Sicamous	1
Yukon	1
Nelson City	1
Rossland City	1
Kaslo	1
Columbia	1
Cranshaw	1
Ferale	1

The new districts created by the redistribution are: Saanich, The Islands, New, Saanich, Atlin, Skeena, the Two Lillooets have been merged into one, Kamloops, Okanagan, Similkameen, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Yale, Kaslo, Columbia, Cranbrook and Ferale.

Owing to the hour at which the bill was brought down it is impossible to go into the matter at length to-day, but the bill will be dealt with fully in tomorrow's issue.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

The House assembled at 2:15, Rev. W. Leslie Clay reading prayers.

Mr. Curtis drew attention to the editorial statement in the Colonist that he introduced his resolution against the government from an ulterior motive. He said he would not stand such insinuations, and if the editor persisted in them he would ask that he be brought before the bar of the House. (Hear, hear.) The statement came with all the worse grace from a paper supposed to represent the Premier's views.

He also complained of the report of the debate the previous day. It appeared by it that the Attorney-General said he lied and was not made to withdraw it. As a matter of fact the Attorney-General did not use that word, and whenever he (the Attorney-General) transgressed the rules the speaker compelled him to withdraw. However, however, if the rule was persistently transgressed, he (Mr. Curtis) would take means to protect himself.

Further, he held the royal commission should take the evidence and submit it to the House.

The Redistribution Bill was exhibited by message and loud opposition applause and commotion, reported, read a first time and placed for second-reading on Monday.

Mr. McBride—Why not to-morrow? Hon. W. C. Wells said this afternoon that the government would meet Messrs. Greenhalgh and Holt to-night, and that they expected to have the Canada Northern contract finished and ready for submission.

THE FAR EAST.
Russia and France Say Anglo-Japanese Treaty Supports Their Contentions.

St. Petersburg, March 19.—The Official Messenger to-morrow will print the text of a Russo-French conjoint declaration sent March 16th to the Austrian, Belgian, British, United States, Spanish, German, Italian, Dutch, Chinese and Japanese governments. The declaration is as follows:

"The allied Russo-French governments are wholly pleased to discern that the Anglo-Japanese convention supports the essential principles, which according to the reiterated statement of France and Russia, constituted and still constitute the foundation of their policy. Both governments believe that the support of those principles is also a guarantee of their interests in the Far East. They are compelled, however, not to lose from view the possible initial action of other powers, or a repetition of disorders in China, possibly impairing China's integrity and free development to the detriment of their reciprocal interests. They therefore reserve to themselves the right to take measures to defend these interests."

The prefatory remarks say that Russia desires the maintenance of the equilibrium, and the attainment of complete tranquillity in the East.



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BRITISH CONSUL SEEKS PROTECTION

LIFE IN DANGER FROM BOER SYMPATHIZERS

Chief of Police of New Orleans Will
Investigate—Democrats and
Boer Resolutions.

New Orleans, La., March 19.—George Van Sittart, British consul at New Orleans, declares his life and property are in danger from the Boers and Boer sympathizers in the city, and has appealed to the mayor and police for protection. He says anonymous letters have grown more numerous and threatening of late, and that dangerous and suspicious men constantly stand around the consulate office, as well as his house, contemplating, he believes, an attack on him. He asked, therefore, that a police force be stationed at both places.

Chief of Police Journeaux promised to investigate, and, if there are any good grounds for Mr. Van Sittart's fears, the request for protection will be granted. Police protection has been recently granted the British mule stations here at the request of the British officers and Secretary of State.

Attitude of Democrats.
Washington, March 19.—The Democratic members of the House at a caucus held to-night unanimously adopted resolutions declaring that congress should express the sympathy of the United States people for the Boer republics and pledging themselves to use their utmost endeavors to "force" the committee to report resolutions expressive of such sympathy that congress might have an opportunity to act.

A Profitable Alliance.
New York, March 19.—Messrs. Wolman and Wessels, the Boer envoys, will sail to-morrow morning for France. Mr. Wolman said to-night in the course of an interview:

"Since we have been in this country it has been said that our alliance with the Irish has hurt our cause. On the evening of our return, we must deny that statement and declare that the alliance has been profitable to us, both on the battlefield and by the fight which is being waged for us by the Irish members in the English House of Parliament. First we have to thank the Dutch, next the Irish and then the Germans. We know also that the people of the United States are with us, heart and soul, and we believe that a few words of sympathy from the United States Senate and House of Representatives would go a great way in helping us with the nations of the world."

MOVEMENT TO FORM A FOUNDRY COMBINE

The Different Plants in Province Are
Being Appraised With This
Object in View.

There is a general disposition on the part of nearly all the big industries of the province to combine.

The existing organization, effected less than a year ago, headed the list; the salmon canners, as stated in the Times some time ago, are arranging for a somewhat similar compact, and now a movement is on foot for combining all the foundries of British Columbia under one management. Reference to the deal was briefly made in these columns a few days ago. Many very strong arguments are advanced in favor of the proposition, and the whole feasibility of the project is now dependent only on the various valuations of the properties to be incorporated. Of course if these are placed too high the matter of making a pool of all interests cannot be considered.

By forming themselves into a combine the foundry men hope to more effectively close out all competition. During the last year this has been brought to bear quite strongly on the British Columbia concerns. Both Eastern Canadian cities and San Francisco have been catering to the larger trade of the province with the result that the smaller British Columbia plants have had quite a struggle for an existence. But there are other reasons given why it would be advantageous for an amalgamation to carry on the business now done within the province. Perhaps the most cogent is that under one management the foundrymen would be relieved of much expense, which, under the existing condition of affairs, is necessary. An instance of this is given in the work of the draughtsman. The business under this heading might, it is argued, be concentrated in one central office, where all the work in the city might be done. This principle in

CITY COUNCIL'S ANNUAL BUDGET

MUST FACE DEFICIT THIS CURRENT YEAR

Difference Caused by Extra Expenditure Which Cannot Be Avoided—
Draft Completed Last Night.

The annual budget of the city council is now ready for report. Last night the Mayor and aldermen, in session as a committee of the whole, completed the draft of estimated expenditure for the present year after many week's hard application. The council will have to raise \$28,000 more than was required last year in view of the extra expenditure, which exceeds the revenue collected in 1901 by that sum. It must not be assumed that the council is not exercising its usual foresight, as the additional outlay consists of extraordinary expenditure. The ordinary expense will remain substantially the same.

In the first place there is the interest and sinking fund on the four loans of last year for the reclamation, Point Elsie bridge, new High school and Government street paving, \$16,000; \$8,000 to complete the High school building, the council having committed itself to this payment; \$2,000 to settle the deficit against the B. C. Agricultural Association; \$9,000 for the final settlement of the claims arising out of the bridge accident at Point Elsie; \$3,500, the city's share under the ancient Broad Street Local Improvement By-Law providing for the extension of Broad street to the market building, a definite undertaking about ten years ago; \$1,500 for improvements to the isolation hospital. In addition to these, extra expenditure of \$5,000 will be necessitated in the relaying of the tracks on Government street as the result of the paving and grading of that artery. The city has no option in this matter under agreement with the Tramway company.

Provision is made for celebrating Coronation Day, a sum of \$1,000 having been placed in the estimate for that purpose. This was formerly devoted to the Queen's birthday celebration. There is to be an increase in police salaries amounting to \$300 or over, for the year, and the separation of the offices of sanitary and planning inspectors. Formerly these two positions were held by one official at a salary of \$90 per month. Now a salary of \$75 per month each will be paid two men, to take effect on April 1st.

The estimated expenditure on streets is divided as follows: Maintenance, cost of repairs, etc., and everything except new work, \$16,500; permanent sidewalks, city's share, \$2,500; construction, \$20,000. The recommendations of the streets, bridges and sewers committee will knock a hole in the last item to the tune of \$11,000. The city's share in the paving of Government street is, of course, provided for in the loan floated last year.

To fill up the hiatus, the \$28,000 deficit, it has been proposed, though not settled, to increase the realty tax one mill, which would bring \$10,500; increase the water rates 25 per cent, adding another \$7,500, and to increase the liquor and other licenses to bring a further \$10,000. The liquor license would probably be increased from \$200, as at present, to \$300.

The following is a summary of the estimated expenditure:

City debt	\$194,341.73
Municipal council	5,000.00
Civic salaries	17,300.00
Waterworks	32,100.00
Cemetery	2,000.00
Park	3,000.00
Pound	1,100.00
Police	30,070.00
Fire department	23,924.00
Library	1,200.00
Street lighting	20,740.00
Public market	1,150.00
Sewerage	3,400.00
Home for the Aged and Infirm	4,900.00
Buildings and surveys	3,000.00
Streets, bridges and sidewalks	4,270.00
Miscellaneous	21,820.00
Education	74,078.20
Board of Health	18,280.00
Sewers rental fund	6,500.00
Point Elsie bridge claims	6,000.00
Total	\$502,253.23

In connection with the amount opposite the city debt in the foregoing, it should be noted that the loan amounting to \$20,000 floated in 1877, for waterworks purposes will be paid off this year. This wipes from the slate another old friend, who, however, will not be missed.

BROCHITIS AND LUNG TROUBLES.
I was a great sufferer from dyspepsia for over two years, and was a complete physical wreck. I tried many different medicines which were recommended to cure the trouble but these only made me worse. I had such a weak and debilitated appearance that it seemed as if I had hardly any blood in my whole body. At last I came across an advertisement of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and I purchased a bottle. I am now a healthy and vigorous man. I feel as if I had been born again. I am now a healthy and vigorous man. I feel as if I had been born again. I am now a healthy and vigorous man. I feel as if I had been born again.

Female fish of all species are considerably more numerous than males, with two single exceptions—the angler and the catfish.

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE KOOTENAY

THE DELEGATES FROM ASSOCIATED BOARDS

Hold a Conference With the Government—
Mining, Taxation and Other
Matters Discussed.

Yesterday afternoon the delegates arranged to meet the representative of the C. P. R. for the Columbia and Western grant, and it was found that in order to satisfy the terms of the Subsidy act, all the land from Robson to Midway had to go to the railway company, so that there was no reserve to be cancelled.

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CHARGES AND DEFENCE.

The member for Rossland riding must have been rather astonished at the effect of his motion for a committee of inquiry into the connection of the government with the Eberhart case, which, it was alleged, would result in Victoria being made the terminus of a great transcontinental road. Recent developments have convinced the public that the chief champion of Mr. Dunsen in the Legislature is Mr. Joseph Martin, and there was no surprise therefore when that gentleman was seen to be the first to rise to his feet to protest against the resolution. Mr. Eberhart appeared to feel that he was in danger of being supplanted by an able advocate, because we do not think there is any record of an Attorney-General of a British self-governing community making such an exhibition of himself as the chief legal adviser of the Crown in British Columbia did yesterday. Mr. Eberhart should be an old enough hand at the business now to realize that to fuss and fume like an excited Thomas Cat leads neither dignity to an advocate nor strength to his arguments. But of course Mr. Eberhart did not rise to argue. His purpose was to show vulgar abuse upon the man who had dared to impugn the political purity, integrity and virtue of himself and his colleagues.

We are pleased to be able to say that the Minister of Mines and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works approached the question in an altogether different spirit. They discussed a matter of much public importance with the dignity and gravity proper under the circumstances. Mr. Curtis, we are sorry to say, did not receive the complete support from the opposition he had a right to expect, but he will lose nothing in the estimation of the country on that account. The member for Rossland should have insisted upon the investigation being conducted by a committee of the Legislature and the opposition should have endorsed his demand, for reasons that will be apparent when the work of the Royal Commission commences. The Legislature should be the guardian of its own honor, and no one knows this better than the man who suggested the practical shelving of the question by the appointment of a Royal Commission. Parliament has the power to call for the production of persons and papers, its members can examine witnesses and take all the measures necessary to get at the facts in connection with the matter under investigation. Under the tribunal suggested by the government the person who makes the charges will be called upon to substantiate them and to employ counsel at his own expense to assist him in the proceedings. The majority of the members of the House probably did not know what the effect of the amendment would be, but the government did, and the chief adviser of the government did. He is an old hand at the business, and a dis- tinct student of political history. He was an active spirit in the agitation which resulted in the defeat and disappearance from the public life of Manitoba of John Neary. He vigorously protested

against the appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the charges against that gentleman. He held that a Parliamentary tribunal was the proper one. He will remember that Norquay was "whitewashed" by the commission, but that the electors took an altogether different view of his case. Mr. Martin will also remember that he pursued Mr. Carter-Cotton in a most vindictive manner and insisted that his case should be investigated by a committee of the House. He was harrowed to the soul at the thought of sitting in the House with a man suspected of the slightest taint commercially, financially or politically. No one knew anything about the charges he purposed laying except himself. The alleged offences were committed in a foreign country years and years before they came to the ears of this great British Columbia parliament. Yet when this case comes up the allegations in connection with which are familiar to us all, the senior member for Vancouver is so overcome with sorrow mingled with indignation that for once he finds difficulty on account of the intensity of his emotions in expressing the thoughts that arise in his unsuspicious mind and the feelings that surge through his gallies heart.

As to the charges against the government it would be highly improper for the Times to express an opinion just now. It is a matter of common knowledge that during the late election campaign it was urged on behalf of Colonel Prior that the government of which he was a member had entered into a contract with Mackenzie & Mann, under which the Canadian Northern Railway was to receive a very large subsidy and was to make its Pacific terminus at Victoria. When it was pointed out that the terminus was to be at Bute Inlet the electors were informed that negotiations were in progress for the purchase of the E. & N., and that the contract for the acquisition of that road from its present owners would probably be completed before election day. Government supporters cannot deny that these are the facts. It is generally admitted that the Premier is very largely interested in the E. & N., and it is such by the case it is reasonable to assume that he had some interest in the transaction which was to make Victoria the terminus of a transcontinental road. But who shall say whether he was to lose or gain in the deal? Possibly he was going to sacrifice his interests for the general weal. We do not propose to pronounce upon these questions at all. Possibly there might have been a more opportune time for dealing with the matter than that taken by the member for Rossland. But we do say that it is a proper subject for an investigation, and we are sorry that it has been referred to a tribunal where the scope of the inquiry will be so narrowed and restricted that nothing of consequence will result. It is time the ethics of political life in this province were raised to a higher standard. The Premier probably did not know he was offending against any Parliamentary canon in the negotiations he was carrying on. His advisers should have counselled him better. They should have urged him to avoid even the shadow of a suspicion by resigning his position as Prime Minister.

The abuse which has been showered upon Mr. Smith Curtis on account of his connection with this peculiar Parliamentary episode will not prejudice him in the minds of a discerning public. We venture to say time will prove that he is stronger in the country because of his unflinching determination to do his duty by his opponents never so influential in the community. The attacks of his former friends, the low abuse of men of the stamp of Eberhart and contemptible insinuations of a newspaper like the Colonist, do not reflect public opinion. Reform is necessary in the public life of this province, a higher ethical standard must be established, and if this House does not snap out a new and cleaner path, so much the worse for its members when the day of reckoning comes.

COMPLETING THE SEWERS.

There can be no two opinions as to the wisdom of the City Council in deciding that in all cases where connection of residence with sewers is possible such connections must be made. It is true our sewerage system has not worked out exactly as the original plans contemplated, but that is not an unusual circumstance in municipal life, nor is it any reason why the purpose for which in the neighborhood of four hundred thousand dollars has been expended should not be fulfilled. The main sewers were built to be used and in their use to be beneficial to the health of the inhabitants of the city. It would naturally be supposed that all who could would avail themselves at the earliest possible moment of appliances considered in these days of advanced sanitary ideas, essential to the welfare of life in urban communities. Such has not been the case, in some cases probably because of the expense of connection, and in others because of an apparent increase in taxation, which was not originally contemplated, we believe. But the increase of taxation will be found with experience to be only apparent. There should be an actual saving, because the cost for the services of a scavenger would be reduced to a minimum. The most serious aspect in connection with the present indifference to proper sanitary appliances is that the work of sewer extension is hampered, and unless something be done to stimulate activity it may be a century before the work which was undertaken a decade ago can be

completed. An increased number of connections means an increased revenue and more rapid extension. As extension proceeds the revenue grows in proportion and the zone receiving benefits from the system is extended. The limit of taxation which the ratepayers will tolerate has about been reached, and it is evident that if our sewers are ever to be completed they must create their own revenue. It is claimed that in a short time there will be sufficient income from this source to warrant the borrowing of a sum which will complete the sewerage of the city both quickly and economically. We hope such may prove to be the case, and that the step which has just been taken by the council is the preliminary movement with this end in view.

We are not without hope that the Colonel may yet discover that he was deceived in regard to that railway contract and will consider it his duty to redeem his pledges to the electors and resign his seat. But we must say we are rapidly losing faith in the Minister of Mines. His pledges were specific. Now he says he is going to stay with his job in the hope of securing a railway for Victoria. Now even if the Colonel be the only power who can secure a railway for this city, we submit that as a gentleman the carrying out of his pledges is of more importance than anything else. But none of the forces over which Colonel Prior has any control are likely to oppose such a project.

It is not denied that up to a certain point in the railway negotiations Mr. Greenshields was acting for both the government and the contractors. When he got to Victoria the Attorney-General took the case in behalf of British Columbia. It seems to us that that is scarcely a regular way of doing business. Only a government in the most dire extremity and in a tremendous hurry to formulate a policy would resort to such measures. That transaction alone is worthy of a committee of inquiry.

There seems to be a form of Legislative decadence setting in in different parts of the world. Fights at Westminster, rowdiness at Westminster and turbulence at Victoria. Surely it is time for a change. It is a blessing we have still a House at Ottawa capable of setting an example of legislative dignity to the world. Most of the mischievous elements were eliminated from there just at the right time.

The Dunsen government will never be complete until its real head is properly joined to it. He made some sort of a defence of it yesterday, although he had a bad time of it under the fire of Hawththwaite, whereas the Bombastes Furiosus splutterings of Eberhart were simply ridiculous.

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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Two applications came before Mr. Justice Drake in Chambers this morning, and were disposed of as follows:

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The application on the part of the Bank of Montreal for leave to proceed with the execution of a writ of fieri facias against the property of the Tribune Association, Limited, of Nelson, which is in process of winding up, was brought before Mr. Justice Walker in Chambers this morning. His Lordship granted a winding-up order against the company on the 6th inst., and an order restraining the judgment creditors from proceeding with execution, and the latter now apply to have this restraining order set aside. L. P. Duff, K. C., appeared in support of the application, A. G. White, of Eberhart & Taylor, opposing same on behalf of the provisional liquidator of the company. His Lordship dismissed the summons with costs.

Full Court.
A. H. Macneil, K. C., of Rossland, will act as counsel for the appellants on the V. V. & E. injunction appeals before the special sitting of the Full court to-morrow. The respondents will be represented by W. H. P. Clement, of Grand Forks.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 20, 5 a. m.—The barometer remains comparatively low over the North Pacific Coast and high over California. Rain has been general throughout the Pacific slope, and the winds are light to moderate from the coast from Vancouver Island to San Francisco. Comparative mild weather prevails between the range and across the Territories to Manitoba.

For 24 hours ending 8 p. m. Friday.
Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh southerly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional showers.
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, unsettled and mild, with occasional rains.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.83; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, S. miles W.; rain, .04; weather, fair.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, S. miles W.; rain, .25; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.74; temperature, 36; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.69; temperature, 24; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 46; minimum, 46; wind, 14 miles W.; weather, clear.
Edmonton—Barometer, 29.75; temperature, 20; minimum, 18; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

The funeral of the late Thos. Nichol took place yesterday afternoon from the parents' residence, 402 B. St. Rev. Dr. Campbell conducted the services, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. R. Fairall, W. G. Henry, Zohrab and Dr. Tolmie.

All aboard for Crofton, the new steaming tug, on and after February 1st a daily passenger and freight service will be inaugurated between Victoria and Crofton and way ports, by first-class steamer, connecting with V. & S. railway. The tug will leave the V. & S. station at 7:45 a. m.

The Columbia House Spring and Summer Display of Millinery will be shown on Tuesday, the 18th inst. Mrs. Vigor, 81 Douglas street.

Cheep rates from all points East via Northern Pacific Railway Company; effective "at once." The Northern Pacific Railway Company will sell tickets from all Eastern points at reduced rates on account of "The Homecoming Excursions." If you intend sending for anyone to come to Victoria, B. C., call on C. E. Lang, general agent, corner Yates and Government streets.

The sixth of the series of Lenten organ recitals will be given at St. John's church after evensong on Sunday next, when the organist will be assisted by several soloists. Mrs. Green will sing "Palm Branches," by Fauré; Miss Charlotte Spencer will give Gounod's "O Divine Redeemer" with violin obbligato; Miss Burns will sing "An Evening Hymn," by Molloy, and Dr. Robertson "The Passion Music," from the Messiah. Jesse Longfield will play a viola solo and the concluding organ solo.

Arrivals by the train to-day included Messrs. J. H. Cocking, E. Quesset and G. L. Beckett, all of Nanaimo. They are here as a deputation, representing the citizens of Nanaimo to lay before the government the views of the people of the Coast City in regard to the route and other matters with reference to the proposed line to the north end of the Island. The interview, it is understood, is taking place this afternoon. Mr. Quesset stated that they would in all probability be accompanied by Geo. A. Huff, of Alberni, who intended taking advantage of the opportunity to bring to the notice of the cabinet the wishes of the residents of his district in regard to the matter.

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A case involving a somewhat novel charge of smuggling is now before the courts of Seattle. Victor McConnell, a rancher whose home is at West Sound, is the defendant. The articles alleged by the government to have been smuggled by McConnell were a marine boiler and engine, valued at about \$200, and on which the duty was 45 per cent, and valorem. According to the Post-Intelligencer "the government brought in evidence that McConnell purchased the machinery in Victoria and brought it across the Straits in his frail scow-sloop. The evidence as to the alleged smuggling was largely negative. It was not shown that duty had not been paid, the strange evidence of the fact being that McConnell, as one witness testified, had stated that he intended to take the boiler and engine to Nanaimo, B. C., and had nevertheless gone directly across the Straits with his sloop and cargo. The boiler and engine were later seized by the collector of customs in Fairhaven.

—Another meeting of the city council will be held in the committee room, city hall, to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock.

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—An open meeting under the auspices of the Independent Union will be held in Labor hall to-night. The advantages of trade unions will be discussed.

—Alexander Hamilton, of Pender Island, has received a notice of request to become a candidate for North Victoria. H. L. Robertson, of Moresby Island, has already announced his candidature.

—This afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock at the Refuge House, Cormorant street, the regular meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. is taking place. All superintendents are requested to be in attendance.

—The annual meeting of the Friendly Help Society will be held at their rooms, city market, to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 p. m. All members and friends are requested of this date and are requested to be present.

—The marine hospital and caretaker's house are undergoing extensive repairs, the roofs being reshingled, the buildings repainted, new floors and doors put in and the shutters renovated. In about a month's time work will be completed.

—Arrangements are being made by a committee of the Fraternal Order of Eagles for the holding of a social session on Wednesday, April 2nd. The invitations are unique, being printed on blue paper and written in the form of a summons.

—Messrs. Chalmers & Mitchell, the jewellers, intend enlarging their premises by taking in the adjoining store, which is now being fitted up for the purpose. This will make the establishment one of the largest of its kind in the Northwest.

—In addition to meeting the delegates of the Associated Boards of Trade, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Victoria Board of Trade will also receive the report of the committee on the Alberni railway, and there will be a discussion as to the coasting laws.

—A very interesting lecture on "The Labor Question From a Socialist Standpoint" was given in Labor hall last night by E. T. Kingsley, of California, before a large audience. The lecturer will this morning speak on "The Capitalist and Laborer." Mr. Kingsley is en route to Nanaimo.

—President L. G. McQuade and a committee from the Victoria Board of Trade interviewed the government this morning in reference to the Alberni railway. The advantages of the Cowichan route were placed before the government. A report of the conference will be made at the monthly meeting of the board to-morrow.

—In response to the representations of the city council and Tourist's Association on the sea, the minister of marine and fisheries has telegraphed the Mayor that all illegal fishing in Cowichan river will be stopped, and that the new regulations affecting net fishing in all the rivers and inlets of the Island are now under consideration.

—Regarding the sale of thoroughbred Hereford cattle by the O. R. & N. Company, of which mention was made a few days ago, Col. R. C. Judson writes further that the sale will commence at Baker City, April 18th and 19th, at 10 a. m. and 2nd, Pendleton, 23rd and 24th, Hopper, 25th and 26th.

—The remains of the late Francis Joseph Begau were laid at rest this morning, the funeral taking place from W. J. Hanna's parlors at 9:15 a. m., and later from the Roman Catholic church. Rev. Father Althoff conducted the service, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. F. Campbell, J. W. Speed, J. E. Huxtable and A. E. McDonald.

—The triennial session of the provincial council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons took place at the board of health rooms this morning, the following being elected to constitute the council: Drs. Fagan, Davis and Jones of Victoria; Dr. R. E. McKechnie, Nanaimo; Dr. Proctor, of Kamloops; and Dr. Walken, New Westminster. They are elected by the members of the medical profession throughout the province, and their offices are to conduct examinations and transact the business of the council. At the election this morning Rev. Canon Bonland and Rev. W. Leslie Clay were scrutineers.

—The case against James Jamieson and Wilkes, charged with smuggling Chinese across to the Sound, has been left over for the Miller States grand jury, which convenes at Seattle next June. The government claiming that Jamieson was the man in the sloop and who jumped overboard and swam ashore upon the approach of the launch, and when pursued took to the bushes. Both prisoners are held under bonds of \$200, which were not furnished. Jamieson is said to be communicating with friends in Victoria for the purpose of raising the amount of his bond.

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—The favorite route from this city to Nanaimo is now by the Victoria & Sidney railway and steamer Inokoma. Train leaves every Monday and Thursday at 7:45 a. m. Single fare \$1.50. Return, good for 10 days, \$2.50.

—Service will commence at the Congregation Emmanuel, corner of Blanchard and Pandora streets, at 7:30 to-morrow (Friday) evening. Rev. Montague N. A. Cohen will preach on "The Acceptance of Haman." On Saturday morning the subject will be "Revenge."

—The city council has approved of a new form of notice submitted by the city engineers in reference to sewer connections. Unless proper connections are made with the city sewer system within thirty days after notice is given, city engineers will enter the premises and do the required work and the cost will be charged to the property owner. These notices will be issued forthwith.

—A novel and very interesting entertainment, a measuring social, was given last night at the Victoria Presbytery church, last night, under the auspices of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. The room was neatly decorated by the ladies, who omitted no arrangement about the matter, to the pleasure of those present. An excellent programme was rendered, all the numbers being given in good style.

Special mention should be made of the Grecian drill by young ladies of the High school, young ladies of the High school, recitation, Mrs. Chalmers and W. D. Kinaird; vocal solos, Mrs. Field, Miss Murray and Messrs. J. G. Brown and Kinaird.

—Messrs. Tony Silvine, the E. & N. engineer, and Robert Hutchison have invented a new railway block system, and the former leaves for New York and Washington to-night to secure patents. Their invention works wholly by electricity, and would render railway collisions utterly impossible. Supposing that the first train to start on an emergency between Victoria and Esquimalt, when the train left this city the semaphore closes this block to a train approaching from the other direction. The same safeguard would be operated at all the blocks, and even should an emergency occur, the block, his train would come to a standstill shortly after passing the semaphore; for, by this system, there is an apparatus in the cab for that purpose, arranged on the brake system. There are two arms on the pole at every block, one for each train.

—A prominent party of Japanese politicians will arrive here from the Orient on the steamer Kaga Maru next week. The party numbers four, the most distinguished being Count Matsuyoshi Matsukata, who has been premier of Japan, and several times held the office of minister of the Imperial treasury. The others are T. Meigs, director of the revenue bureau of the Imperial treasury department; Eiji Fukui, president and director of the Bank of Japan; and Goro Matsukata, a son of the Count. Seattle is arranging to give the visitors a hearty welcome to their city, and will send a delegation to Victoria to meet the Kaga Maru. The Post-Intelligencer says: "On leaving Seattle the party will go to New York, its ultimate destination being London, England. The late treaty between Japan and England is expected to result in a number of these visits of the leading Japanese to England, and all trips will be made through the United States."

—Steamer Chancel will have two days' Eastern mail on arrival to-night. She did not connect with the train from the East yesterday, owing to it being twelve hours' late, but made connection with to-day's train, and left for Victoria at 1:20 p. m.

—A runaway horse attached to a butcher cart caused some excitement on Fort Street to-day.

Dr. T. R. McInnes returned on the Aorangi from a several months' visit to New Zealand.

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INTERESTING DEBATE IN MOCK PARLIAMENT

Measure to Provide for Educational Test and Duplicate Voting Defeated—Some Arguments.

A large audience listened to a very interesting debate on the subject of the mock parliament, held in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last night, the subject for discussion being a measure to raise the standard of intelligence in those entitled to vote, by means of an educational test and duplicate voting.

J. T. Wilson, supporting the resolution, considered that the present franchise was very unsatisfactory, giving men who could not even read or write the right to a voice in the affairs of the country. Most people knew what they wanted, but because a person wanted a thing, it did not make it right that he should have it. What possible intelligent opinion, he said, could the French-Canadian population of Canada, whose standard of intelligence in those entitled to vote, by means of an educational test and duplicate voting.

Messrs. Grant, Solomon and Scholfield, in opposing the resolution, considered the change a retrograde movement. The whole trend of affairs for hundreds of years in England tended towards more equal rights. From the time of Magna Charta to the present day there has been an uninterrupted fight by those without a voice in the affairs of the country against those who might be called the ruling classes. Citing the case of the repeal of the Corn Laws, they proved that the country squire, the great landowner, and the great manufacturer would not take a vote away from the people of England, and what everyone to-day conceded to have rendered possible the great development of this country is the fact that England had since made the tendency of those who had power was to make themselves more powerful, whether by force or by fraud. The ruling classes of Russia were as well educated as any class in England, Canada or the United States, yet Russia had one of the most corrupt and rotten governments in the world. In this country, on the other hand, made substantial progress, and whose laws were most characterized by justice, it was a singular fact that the people equally enjoyed the franchise, and in any country where the class was denied this right, smoldering discontent prevailed.

The vote taken showed that those present were not very much impressed by the arguments of those supporting the motion, which was hopelessly lost.

—Provincial Constable Halstead, of Chemainus, brought down this morning an Austrian named Chinche, who is suspected of having stolen a coat and shirt at Extension and of stealing a railway velocipede about midnight last night. As soon as he learned the circumstances the constable started in pursuit of the suspected man, and arrested him at Goldstream this morning. He will be tried up the line, where he will be taken to-morrow.

—Another Chinese laundryman was taught a lesson in the police court this morning. Mei Wah refused to give Tax Collector Carter a list of his employees' names, and was fined \$22 and \$2.50, the same as the Chinese laundryman yesterday. The proprietor of the Montana restaurant was charged with keeping a vicious dog and remanded till Monday. A drunk was fined \$2.50 and 50 cents extra.

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BISHOP CRIDGE HAS RESIGNED RECTORSHIP

Compelled by Old Age to Relinquish Duties in Connection With Reformed Episcopal Church.

Right Rev. Bishop Cridge, who has for more than a quarter of a century been closely identified with and who practically found the Reformed Episcopal church in this city, has resigned. Only the weaknesses and infirmities of old age has induced the venerable bishop to take this action. His resignation was submitted to a meeting of the congregation last night and was accepted with very great regret. His Lordship being highly esteemed and beloved by all members of his congregation. After hearing a statement from himself and another from the members of the church, the congregation, decided, with very great reluctance, to accept the resignation, and a committee was appointed to draft a suitable resolution in recognition of the bishop's services and merits, to be engrossed and signed by all members of the congregation.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Business Transacted by Management of Emmanuel Baptist Church Last Night.

The annual business meeting of the Emmanuel Baptist church was held in the school room of the church last evening, Rev. J. G. Hastings, M. A., the pastor, presiding. During the year the church raised for general purposes, about \$1,355, besides \$123 for missions and \$170 by the Ladies' Mission Society. The treasurer reports a deficit of \$143 upon the year's expenditures. The election of officers resulted as follows: Clerk, Miss P. W. Fleming; treasurer, A. G. McGregor; deacons, Messrs. Huggert and Campbell, who with Messrs. Michael, Clarke and Clements form the new disincorporated board; trustees, Messrs. Pines and Walter, who with Messrs. Marchant, McGregor and Mrs. Spofford, form the board. Those appointed on the Japanese committee were the pastor and Mrs. Oates and Messrs. Huggert and Pines, and on the visiting committee, Messrs. McNaughton, Barr and Wilby. The Sunday school has an average attendance of 80, with an enrolment of about 110. Mr. A. Huggert was elected superintendent.

LEGISLATION ENDORSED.

Trades and Labor Council Sanction Two New Measures.

At the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last night, the following resolution was adopted: Whereas there is now before the provincial legislature two acts, cited as the "Workmen's Compensation Act," introduced by J. H. Hawththwaite, M. P. P., and "Trade Unions Protection Act, 1902," introduced by Smith-Carter, M. P. P.; and whereas these acts are designed to benefit and protect the working people of this province, the first by providing for compensation for injuries sustained by workmen, the result of negligence in the part of employers; and the second providing against the attachment of the funds of trades unions by the courts for unauthorized or unlawful acts of agents or members of trade unions:

Be it resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to Messrs. Hawththwaite and Carter, also the four members for Victoria city—Messrs. Hodgkinson, Hall, McPhillips and Hon. Col. Prior, minister of mines.

A. H. McNeill, the Rossland barrister, arrived last evening to represent the V. & E. in the Supreme court suit to-morrow.

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